

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
May 16, 2024

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Lisa Kim, City Manager
Members

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. PUBLIC WORKS

A memo to provide an update on the amended and restated exclusive franchise agreement with Republic Services for the months of January through March 2024 is attached.

B. LETTER OF OPPOSITION

A copy of the Mayor's letter of opposition to SB 2404 (Lee) State and Local Public Employees: Labor Relations: Strikes is attached for your review.

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A copy of the Mayor's letter of opposition to SB 1116 (Portantino) Unemployment Insurance: Trade Disputes: Eligibility for Benefits is attached for your review.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

– SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.

– MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Items of interest are included.



Lisa Kim
City Manager

Auto-Enrollment for SB 1383 Collection Program Compliance

Automatic enrollment for multi-family properties to implement compliant services began in September 2023 and was completed in March 2024. During this process, nearly all multi-family properties were brought into compliance and provided with educational materials.

The automatic enrollment program for commercial business properties ended in September 2023. Any new businesses that open accounts with Republic in the District are required to implement the necessary collection programming or apply for a waiver with Republic.

Republic was requested to perform a desktop audit for commercial businesses and multi-family properties to ensure that all customers had the mandated services. If any non-compliant properties are found, Republic will deliver the missing container types and provide supplemental educational materials. If services are refused by any properties, staff will reach out to the property and try to bring them into compliance as part of the enforcement program required under SB 1383.

Community Clean Up Events - 2024

The events in January and March were well attended. Participants filled approximately 18, 40 cubic yard roll off containers of bulky and household items at the two events. Additionally, approximately 11 tons of compost were given away for use by residents. The event encouraged proper disposal of electronic waste items to help prevent trash trucks from igniting due to hazardous materials, such as electronics and batteries, being incorrectly placed in curbside containers.

Future event dates and locations are as follows:

May 11, 2024	Garden Grove Park	9301 Westminster
July 20, 2024	Ralston Intermediate	10851 Lampson Ave
September 24, 2024	H. Louis Lake Sr. Center	11300 Stanford Ave
November 9, 2024	Public Works Yard	13802 Newhope St

The May 11 event will include the annual paper shredding event.

Edible Food Recovery (SB 1383 Topic)

SB 1383 requires provisions for edible food recovery from certain, pre-defined generators. These generators, which generally include grocery stores, restaurants, hotels, hospitals, and schools, are required to recover the maximum amount of excess edible food that would otherwise go to landfills. This program does not collect partially eaten food, only food that has not been sold or used and still meets the guidelines of the

California Retail Food Code for consumption. Food donations are covered under the Good Samaritan Food Donation regulations which protects donors from liability when donating to a hunger relief organizations and provides further protections to donors from civil and criminal liability if the product donated in good faith later causes harm to the recipient. Please refer to Attachment 1 for additional information.

District and Republic staff are working with Abound Food Care, a local non-profit, to reach out to affected businesses to enroll them in programs and track how much food is donated on an annual basis as required by SB 1383.

Contract Monitoring

District staff continues to work with Republic representatives weekly and have monthly meetings to review upcoming contractual requirements such as planning for City events, timing of outreach, and troubleshooting issues or concerns. Through these meetings, barriers and issues are discussed to come up with best practices to move forward with programming for the City.

Other contract monitoring areas the District is focused on based on agreement provisions include the following:

- Monitoring reporting and auto-enrollment statuses to determine if updates or extensions are required;
- Planning and coordinating services for City sponsored events or other events in the City;
- Discussing CalRecycle matters including data gathering and support needed for the State's requests for information and CAP updates;
- Implementing a student scholarship program in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce to award scholarships to local students;
- Developing a Commercial Environmental Ambassador Program which will be awarded at a future District Board meeting to generators going above and beyond in their sustainable practices;
- Preparing a disaster preparedness plan to ensure critical facilities receive services during emergencies;
- Tracking staffing updates from all parties to ensure all contact information is up to date; and,
- Ongoing operational updates.

Complaints and Missed Pickups

District staff continue to monitor calls and inquiries to Republic's call center regarding service delays and escalations. Republic's records show there were 1,374 reported incomplete collections in Q1 2024, down from 1,839 incomplete collections in Q4 2023 across all District customer types for standard service collections (these counts exclude bulky item pickups). In comparison to the total of approximately 1.3 million service opportunities in Q1 2024, only 0.11% of all service opportunities were reported as incomplete collections to Republic staff, down from 0.16% in Q4 2023.

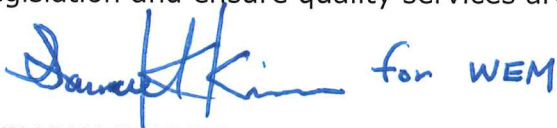
In August 2023, District Board directed staff and Republic to provide additional information regarding the timeframe of recovery for incomplete collections. The Agreement allows for a 24-hour timeframe for Republic to collect a reported missed container before it becomes a true "missed collection". According to reports submitted by Republic, approximately 28% of all incomplete collections in Q1 2024 were recovered within 24 hours of Republic staff becoming aware of a container not being serviced. Staff will continue to evaluate the information that Republic provides and work towards increasing the number of incomplete collections that are recovered within the time specified in the agreement.

One of the most frequent escalation types continues to be related to container exchanges from 2023. Republic is aware of these container exchange delays and is working to reduce the backlog of pending deliveries. Container exchange escalations have steadily decreased each month from the peak reached in December 2023 (169 escalations) to March 2024 (97 escalations).

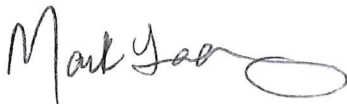
At the request of District staff, Republic was asked to perform another re-routing of the commercial recycling sector, as District staff was frequently contacted about problems with missed recycling container collections. This March 2024 re-routing appears to have solved some of the ongoing issues at properties with documented service issues (as reflected in the call logs). The figures in Attachment 2 provide additional analysis of Republic's inquiry and complaint log records from April 2023 through March 2024.

SUMMARY

District staff continues to work with Republic and the District's consultant, HF&H, to implement SB 1383 programs, provide education and outreach to the community, and address service quality issues. All three parties continue to meet monthly to ensure all elements of the Agreement are being tracked, implemented, and monitored, in addition to daily conversations as issues arise. District staff will continue to ensure constant communication with all parties as the District works towards full compliance with state legislation and ensure quality services are provided to all.



WILLIAM E. MURRAY, P.E.
Public Works Director



By: Mark Ladney
Senior Program Specialist



Abound Food Care

Join the Food Care Movement

Donate Surplus Food with
Confidence and Save Money

The Abound Food Care Donation Program provides food generators with SB 1383 compliance solutions to help reduce food waste and improve operational efficiencies. Let us help you build an effective Food Donation Program so we can feed communities in need.

SCAN ME



aboundfoodcare.org

657-335-4480



Help your community and
improve your bottom line

Establish a Food Donation Program!



Features:

- **Food Safety Protocols and Technology**
Enhanced Food Safety system protects your donation and your brand.
- **Convenient Pick-Ups**
Flexible pickup schedules.
- **Automatic Data Tracking**
Keep track of pounds donated and easily pull reports for compliance purposes.
- **Compliance Contract**
One single donation agreement with Abound Food Care maintains SB 1383 compliance.

Benefits:

- **Bottom Line Benefits**
Improve your bottom line through tax deductions, operational adjustments, and reduced waste hauling expenses.
- **SB 1383 Compliance**
Compliance with state mandates.
- **Public Recognition**
Acknowledged as a valued community partner.
- **Brand Protection**
Trust that your brand's image and reputation are cared for.

What is SB 1383?

SB 1383 is a California state mandate that aims to reduce organic waste destined for landfills by 75%, and to recover 20% of edible food that would otherwise be sent to landfills by 2025.

Why is this law in place?

Food waste is the second largest contributor of organic matter in California landfills which produces methane gas, a known greenhouse gas pollutant. California has made a commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution by implementing SB 1383.

How and when does this affect my business?

As a Tier 1 or Tier 2 food waste generator (see table below), your location must comply with SB 1383 or face possible fines and penalties.

**Applicable to each location where food waste is generated.*

SB 1383 Timeline of Requirements

Year	Requirements	Required Actions
January 1, 2022	Regulations take effect and enforcement begins	Comply with record keeping and reporting for Tier 1 donors
January 1, 2024	Local governments take over enforcement	Tier 2 operators must be compliant with SB 1383 requirements

How does my location become compliant?

Step 1:



Secure written agreements or contracts with food recovery organizations that receive your donation.

Step 2:



Begin donating excess edible food.

Step 3:



Maintain donation records at business location to be submitted to your city.

Are you a Tier 1 or Tier 2 food generator?

Tier 1	Tier 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supermarket • Grocery store: total facility size equal to or greater than 10,000 sq. ft • Food service provider • Food distributor • Wholesale food vendor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restaurants 250+ seats, or a total facility size equal to or greater than 5,000 sq. ft • Hotel with on-site food facility and 200+ rooms • Health facility with an on-site food facility and 100+ beds • Large venue • Large event • State agency with cafeteria with 250+ seats or total facility size equal or greater than 5,000 sq.ft • Local education agency with on-site food facility
Deadline to fulfill SB 1383 requirements: January 1, 2022	Deadline to fulfill SB 1383 requirements: January 1, 2024

Republic Services Customer Service Calls and Missed Collection Data* April 2023 through March 2024

Table 1: Call Type Summary

Call Type	Count
April-23	340
Complaint	14
Damage/Leak/Spill	9
Escalation	317
May-23	138
Complaint	9
Damage/Leak/Spill	2
Escalation	127
June-23	362
Complaint	16
Damage/Leak/Spill	6
Escalation	340
July-23	268
Complaint	18
Damage/Leak/Spill	5
Escalation	245
August-23	454
Complaint	24
Damage/Leak/Spill	6
Escalation	424
September-23	275
Complaint	21
Damage/Leak/Spill	1
Escalation	253
October-23	340
Complaint	14
Escalation	326
November-23	100
Complaint	5
Escalation	95
December-23	454
Complaint	23
Escalation	431
January-24	341
Complaint	9
Damage/Leak/Spill	7
Escalation	325
February-24	349
Complaint	19
Damage/Leak/Spill	9
Escalation	321
March-24	348
Complaint	17
Damage/Leak/Spill	6
Escalation	325
Apr 23-Mar 24 Total	3,769

Figure 1: April 2023 - March 2024 Escalation, Complaint, and Damage/Leak/Spill Calls by Month

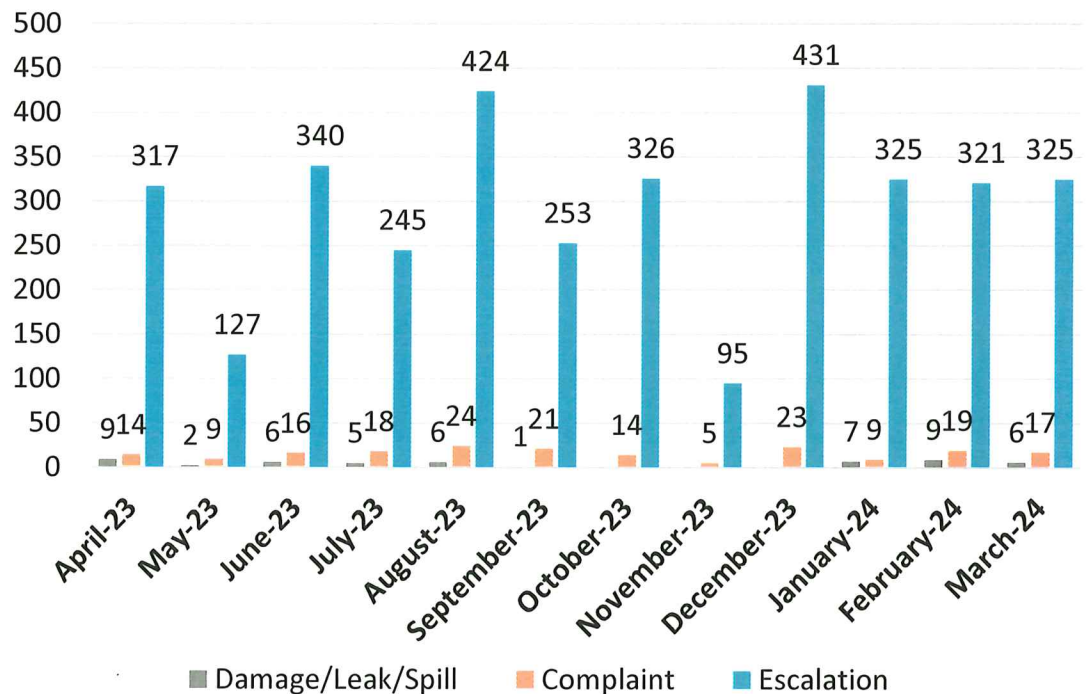
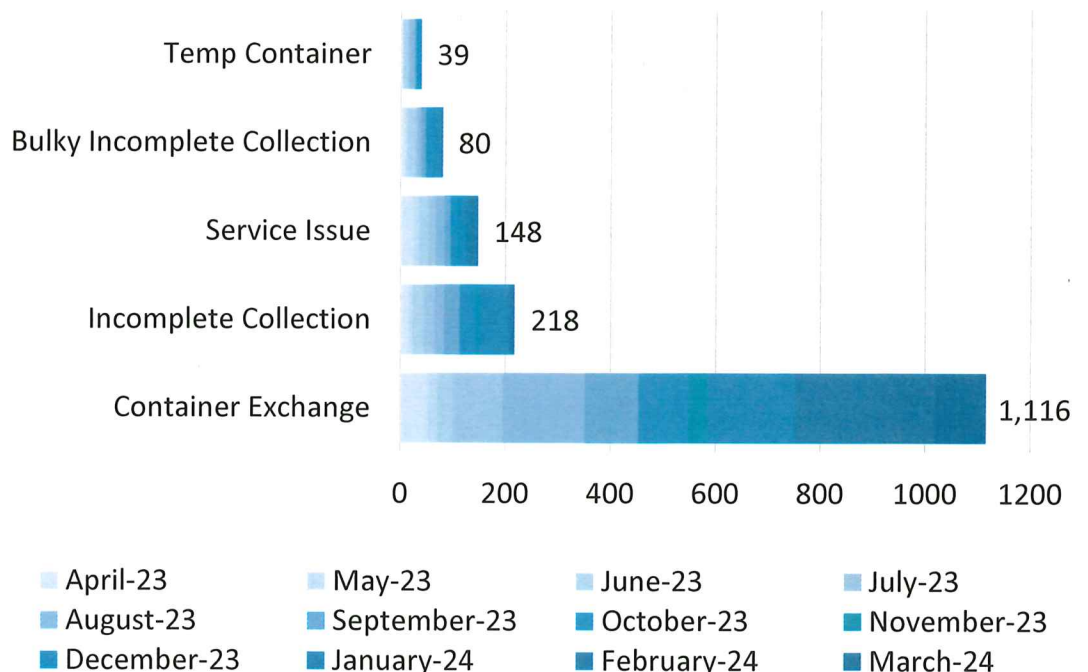


Figure 2: April 2023 - March 2024 Escalations by Detail Category and Month (Service Related Only)



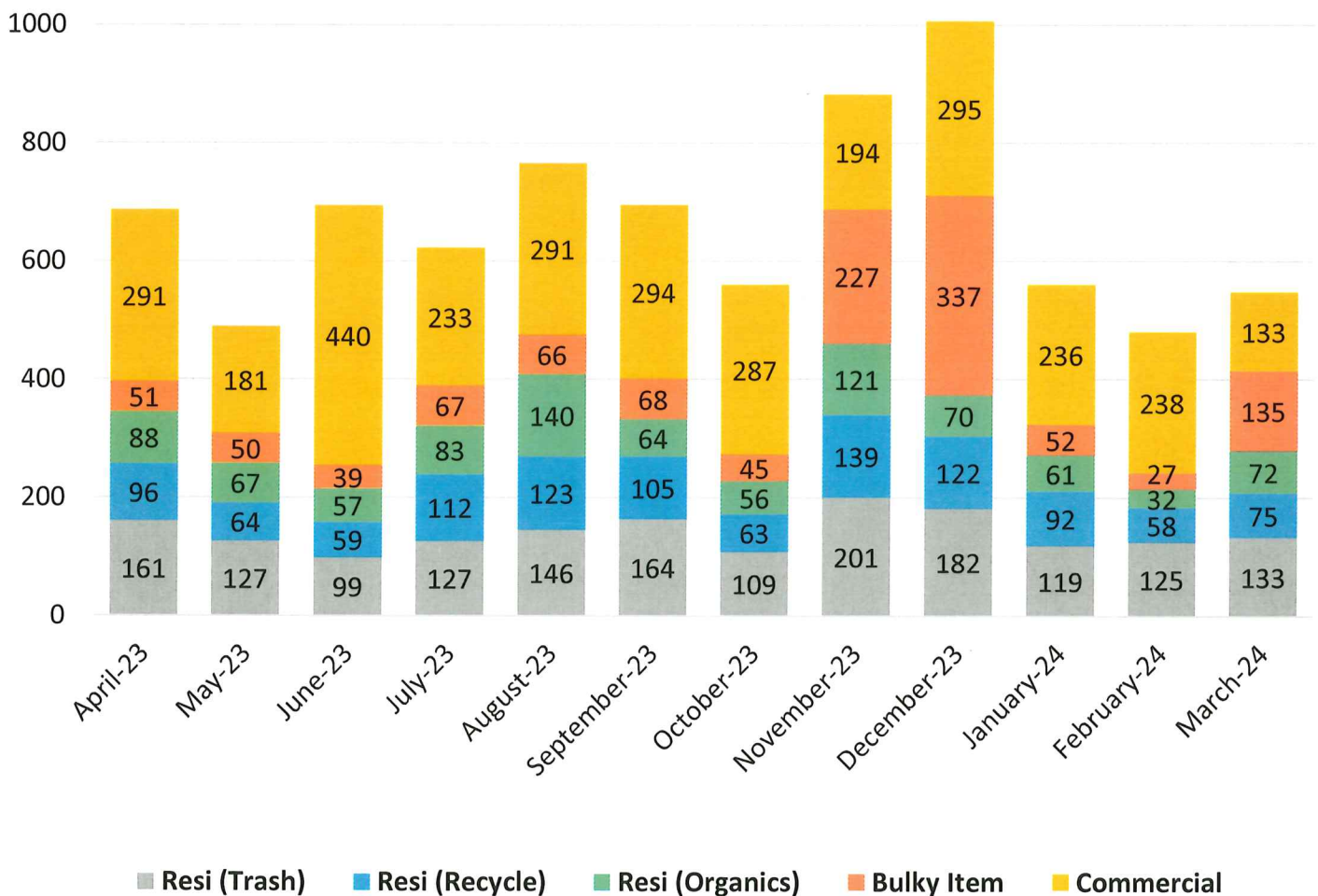
*Analysis based on data provided by Republic per requirements of the franchise agreement.

Table 2: Incomplete Collections Compared to Service Opportunities*

Period	Incomplete Collections	Service Opportunities	% Incomplete Collections
Q2 2023	1,730	1,342,854	0.129%
Q3 2023	1,882	1,102,622	0.171%
Q4 2023	1,839	1,146,272	0.160%
Q1 2024	1,374	1,257,592	0.109%
Total	6,825	4,849,340	0.141%

*Does not include Bulky Item service data.

Figure 3: April 2023 - March 2024 Incomplete Collections by Month and Service Category
(Includes Residential ("Resi"), Commercial, and Bulky Item Service)



*Analysis based on data provided by Republic per requirements of the franchise agreement.

May 16, 2024

The Honorable Alex Lee
Member, California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Room 6330
Sacramento, CA 95814

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RE: AB 2404 (Lee) State and Local Public Employees: Labor Relations: Strikes.
Notice of OPPOSE (As Amended March 21, 2024)

Dear Assembly Member Alex Lee,

The City of Garden Grove must respectfully take a position of **oppose** on **AB 2404**. This measure is a reintroduction of last year's AB 504 (Reyes), which would declare the acts of sympathy striking and honoring a strike line a human right and, thereby, disallow provisions in public employer policies or collective bargaining agreements going forward that would limit or prevent an employee's right to sympathy strike.

We are not disputing the right of employee organizations to engage in the protected activity of striking. State law has created a framework for when unions can engage in protected strike activity that has been honored by local government and unions alike. Unfortunately, this bill would allow those who have not gone through the negotiation process to refuse to work simply because another bargaining unit is engaging in striking.

As local agencies, we have a responsibility to provide services to our communities throughout the state. No-strike provisions in local contracts have been agreed to by both parties in good faith often due to the critical nature of the employees' job duty. Local memorandums of understanding provisions around striking and sympathy striking ensure local governments can continue to provide critical services. Eliminating this ability while also ignoring the essential employee designation process for sympathy strikers would likely result in workforce shortages that jeopardize our ability to operate and provide critical services.

This bill jeopardizes the delivery of necessary city services and undermines the collective bargaining process. For these reasons, the City of Garden Grove respectfully **opposes AB 2404**.

Sincerely,



Steve Jones
Mayor
City of Garden Grove

AB 2404 (Lee) State and Local Public Employees: Labor Relations: Strikes
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RE: SB 1116 (Portantino) Unemployment Insurance: Trade Disputes: Eligibility for Benefits.
Notice of OPPOSE (As Introduced February 13, 2024)

Dear Senator Anthony Portantino,

The City of Garden Grove must respectfully oppose **SB 1116 (Portantino)**, which would provide employees who remain on strike for more than two weeks with Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits, thus requiring employers (via UI) to fund ongoing labor disputes. Local government revenues are incredibly restrictive and funding sources are limited. As cost pressures continue to increase for local governments and public agencies, it is critical that local agencies have a fiscally solvent UI system in order to continue to deliver public services and provide competitive benefits to our active and retired employees.

Under existing law, UI payments are intended to assist employees who, through no fault of their own, are forced to leave their employment. Participating local agencies fund these payments via an Unemployment Insurance Reserve Account (UI Account) with the Employment Development Department (EDD). SB 1116 makes a significant change to this approach by providing unemployment to workers who are currently employed, and not seeking other employment, but have chosen as a labor negotiating tactic to go on strike. In the event of a strike that lasts over two weeks, SB 1116 would allow all striking workers to claim UI benefits for up to 26 weeks. In this situation, a local government agency would experience simultaneous claims that would significantly increase UI costs.

In addition to its considerable costs to employers, SB 1116 will likely further harm the already insolvent UI fund and threaten benefits to unemployed Californians in future recessions. California's UI Fund was exhausted during the COVID-19 pandemic and is projected to owe \$20.8 billion to the federal government by the end of 2024.

This is nearly double the amount of funds that California borrowed the last time its UI funds were exhausted during the 2008 recession. Beginning in 2008, California accumulated more than \$10 billion in debt which was not repaid until a decade later. This UI deficit had significant fiscal effects on employers and the general fund. California's UI insolvency resulted in significant federal tax increases ranging from the hundreds of millions to over \$2 billion per year between 2012-2018. With California's UI Fund becoming insolvent less than two years after repaying federal UI from the Great Recession, California cannot afford to further leverage and strain an already burdened system.

This measure will also further erode good faith negotiations at the bargaining table for local government employers. Public employers work hard to engage in good faith bargaining. If SB 1116 were to become

SB 1116 (Portantino) Unemployment Insurance: Trade Disputes: Eligibility for Benefits.

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law, we anticipate longer lengths of impasse, higher costs associated with protracted Public Employee Relations Board proceedings and decline in quality of public services.

For these reasons, the City of Garden Grove **must oppose** SB 1116 (Portantino).

Sincerely,



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SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

May 9, 2024 - May 15, 2024

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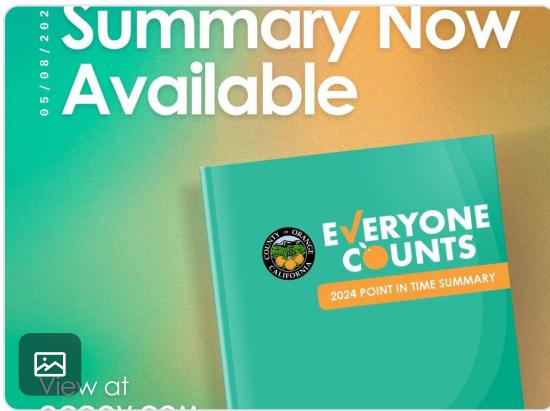
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Wed 5/15/2024 3:16 pm PDT

The County of Orange released the results of the OC 2024 Point-In-Time Count, a biennial count of sheltered and...



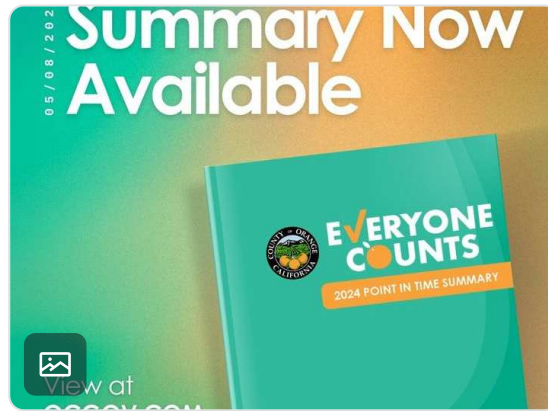
Impressions	187
Reach	181
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.1%



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Wed 5/15/2024 3:08 pm PDT

The County of Orange, California released the results of the OC 2024 Point-In-Time Count, a biennial count of sheltered and...



Impressions	0
Reach	0
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



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Wed 5/15/2024 10:54 am PDT

🍓The Garden Grove Strawberry Festival and Strawberry Stomp 5K return to the downtown area this Memorial Day...



Impressions	143
Potential Reach	4,739
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.7%



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Wed 5/15/2024 10:52 am PDT

🍓The Garden Grove Strawberry Festival and Strawberry Stomp 5K return to the downtown area this Memorial Day...



Impressions	2,422
Reach	2,155
Engagements	265
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	10.9%



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Wed 5/15/2024 10:48 am PDT

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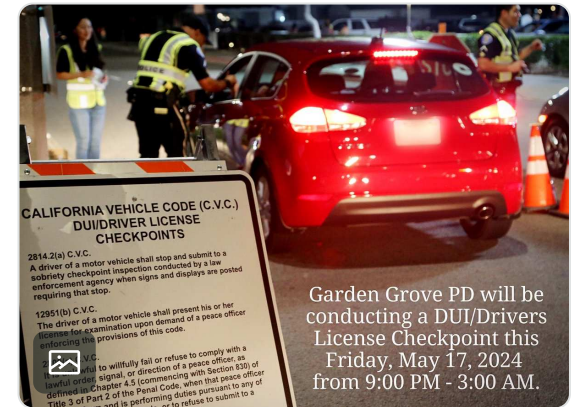
Impressions	23,965
Reach	23,363
Engagements	1,056
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.4%



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Tue 5/14/2024 4:47 pm PDT

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Notification The [@GardenGrovePD](#) will be conducting a [#DUICheckpoint](#) this...



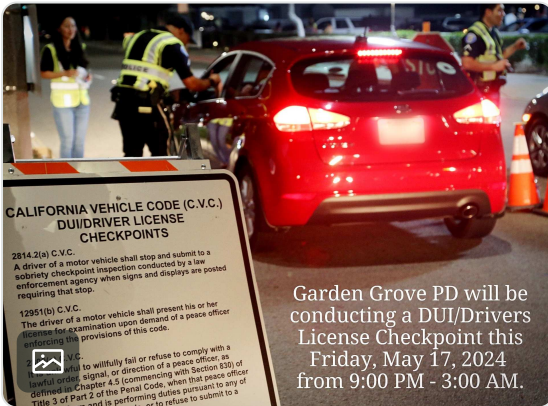
Impressions	173
Potential Reach	4,737
Engagements	26
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	15%



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Tue 5/14/2024 4:45 pm PDT

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Notification The @gardengrovecityhall will be conducting a #DUICheckpoint this...



Garden Grove PD will be conducting a DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint this Friday, May 17, 2024 from 9:00 PM - 3:00 AM.

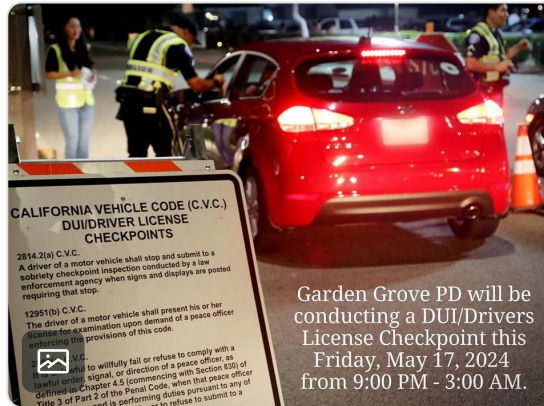
Impressions	2,739
Reach	2,641
Engagements	201
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.3%



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Tue 5/14/2024 4:42 pm PDT

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Notification The Garden Grove Police Department will be conducting a...



Garden Grove PD will be conducting a DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint this Friday, May 17, 2024 from 9:00 PM - 3:00 AM.

Impressions	0
Reach	0
Engagements	1
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



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Tue 5/14/2024 12:43 pm PDT

📍LOCAL COLLEGE GRADUATES... don't miss your opportunity to be recognized for your achievement in high...



Impressions	502
Reach	440
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.4%



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 5/14/2024 12:41 pm PDT

👉 **LOCAL COLLEGE GRADUATES...** ... don't miss your opportunity to be recognized for your achievement in high...



Video Views	0
Impressions	377
Reach	369
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.6%



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Mon 5/13/2024 5:35 pm PDT

It's #NationalPoliceWeek, and we'd like to recognize all the men and women who put their lives on the line every day. Join us i...



Impressions	553
Reach	502
Engagements	24
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.3%



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Mon 5/13/2024 5:25 pm PDT

Join us in remembering the **#GGPD** officers who made the ultimate sacrifice at the "Call to Duty" Police Memorial this...



Impressions	167
Potential Reach	4,735
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 5/13/2024 5:20 pm PDT

It's #NationalPoliceWeek, and we'd like to recognize all the men and women who put their lives on the line every day. Join us i...



Video Views	0
Impressions	0
Reach	0
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



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Fri 5/10/2024 10:30 am PDT

Don't miss out on the chance to safely shred old documents and properly...



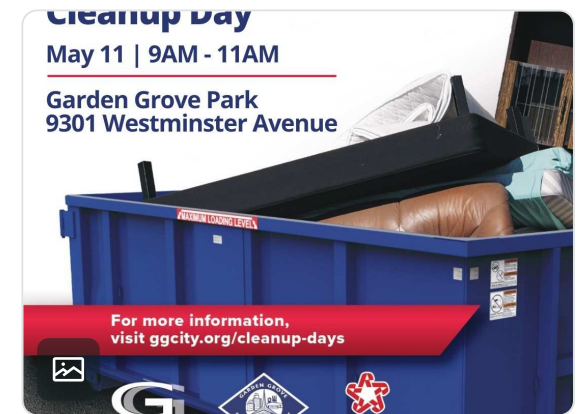
Impressions	164
Potential Reach	4,735
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.7%




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Fri 5/10/2024 10:30 am PDT


This Saturday, May 11 | 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Garden Grove Park...



Impressions	901
Reach	852
Engagements	26
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.9%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
 Fri 5/10/2024 10:30 am PDT

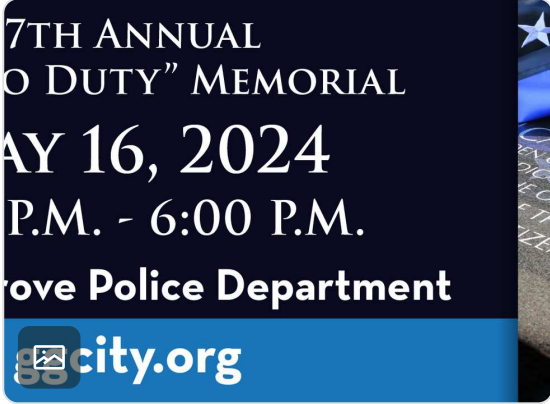
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Impressions	0
Reach	0
Engagements	31
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
 Thu 5/9/2024 1:06 pm PDT

On Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the Garden Grove Police Department's 37th Annual "Call to Duty"...



Impressions	0
Reach	0
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
 Thu 5/9/2024 12:51 pm PDT

Join us at the 37th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial next Thursday, 5/16, at 5 PM, in front of the #GGPD Headquarters, 1130...



Impressions	164
Potential Reach	4,734
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.8%



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Thu 5/9/2024 12:50 pm PDT

Join us at the 37th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial next Thursday, May 16, at 5:00 p.m., in front of the #GGPD Headquarter...



Impressions	528
Reach	499
Engagements	15
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.8%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 5/9/2024 12:50 pm PDT

Join us at the 37th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial next Thursday, May 16, at 5:00 p.m., in front of the #GGPD Headquarter...



Impressions	0
Reach	0
Engagements	13
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



Post Performance

May 9, 2024 - May 15, 2024

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Wed 5/15/2024 2:30 pm PDT

Yesterday, May 14, 2024?, we broke ground on our long-awaited, new state-of-the-art #GardenGrovePD building. This...



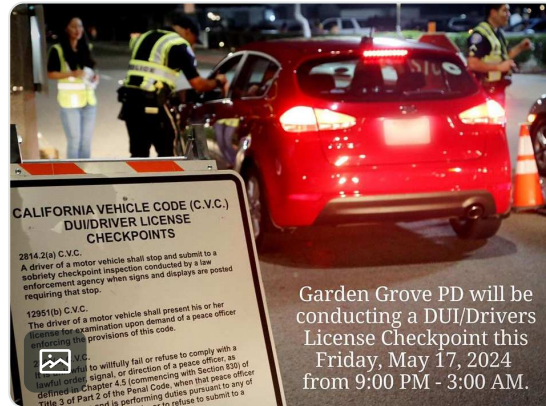
Impressions	1,142
Reach	1,142
Engagements	401
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	35.1%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 5/14/2024 12:00 pm PDT

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Notification #GardenGrovePD will be conducting a #DUICheckpoint this Friday...



Impressions	2,220
Reach	2,124
Engagements	106
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.8%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 5/13/2024 3:06 pm PDT

Request for public assistance. #GGPD32



Video Views	3,619
Impressions	3,619
Reach	2,896
Engagements	83
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.3%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 5/13/2024 3:00 pm PDT

Weekend recap. #GGPD32



Video Views	2,753
Impressions	2,753
Reach	2,363
Engagements	95
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.5%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Mon 5/13/2024 9:00 am PDT

As #NationalPoliceWeek 2024 begins, we would like to acknowledge and thank all the men and women who put their lives ...



Impressions	2,206
Reach	2,127
Engagements	151
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.8%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sun 5/12/2024 9:00 am PDT

Some women aren't just #heroes, they're #superheroes. #HappyMothersDay to all the moms out there. Especially those...



Impressions	2,915
Reach	2,811
Engagements	166
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.7%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 5/11/2024 7:01 pm PDT

Outreach & Cleanup Recap #GGPD32
 #TeamWork #SRTsaturday
 #WheresTheSRT Be Well OC Garden Gro...



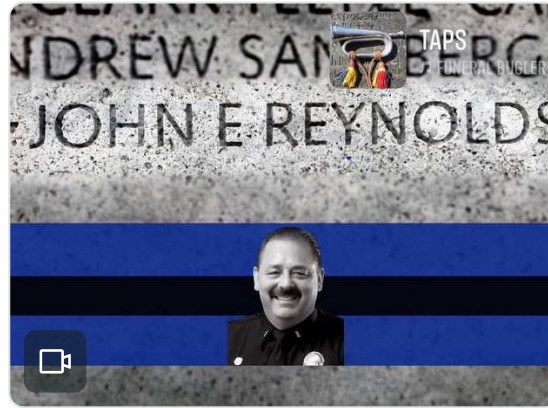
Video Views	1,531
Impressions	1,531
Reach	1,567
Engagements	32
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.1%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 5/11/2024 9:00 am PDT

Lieutenant John Reynolds became a
 #GardenGrove Police Officer in 1995. He
 rose to the rank of lieutenant through his...



Video Views	317
Impressions	1,118
Reach	1,053
Engagements	62
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.5%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Fri 5/10/2024 6:00 pm PDT

#GardenGrovePD Property Crimes
 Detectives had been investigating a crime
 series where a male driving a silver...



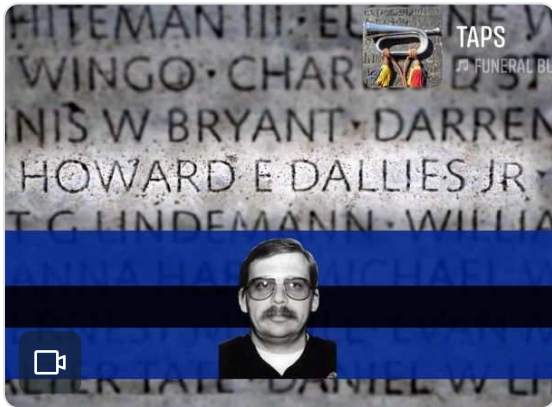
Video Views	2,187
Impressions	3,129
Reach	3,028
Engagements	709
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	22.7%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Fri 5/10/2024 12:00 pm PDT

Master Officer Howard Dallies, Jr. began his law enforcement career with the Orange County Sheriff's Department, then went ...



Video Views	92
Impressions	523
Reach	479
Engagements	14
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.7%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Thu 5/9/2024 6:00 pm PDT

This morning, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (#MADD) handed out awards in recognition of law enforcement personne...



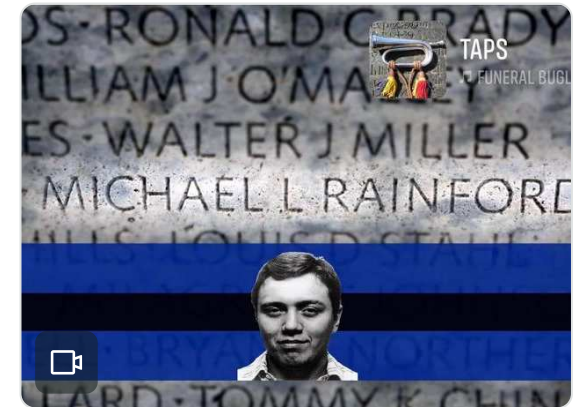
Impressions	1,136
Reach	1,121
Engagements	267
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	23.5%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Thu 5/9/2024 12:00 pm PDT

Officer Michael Rainford began his law enforcement career with the #GardenGrove Police Department as a...



Video Views	192
Impressions	725
Reach	678
Engagements	50
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.9%

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Wednesday, May 15, 2024

NEW PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY BREAKS GROUND

Yesterday, the City of Garden Grove, along with developer Edgemoor Infrastructure & Real Estate, design-builder Clark Construction Group, and architect AC Martin, broke ground for Phase I of the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project, which includes a new Garden Grove Police Department public safety facility and parking structure. The 103,000 square-foot building and four-level parking structure will occupy a 2.75-acre site located at the corner of Acacia Parkway and Euclid Street in the Garden Grove Civic Center.

During the groundbreaking ceremony, Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones spoke about the City's continuing efforts to reimagine its downtown area with enhancements that heighten its unique sense of place.

"The Civic Center Revitalization Project is a much-needed reinvigoration to our downtown area. The project also reflects the growth and progressiveness of our community and the City's ongoing commitment to providing more resources and amenities to our residents and visitors."

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NEW PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY BREAKS GROUND
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The project is estimated to cost \$152 million which includes funding from the passage of Measure O, a 1% sales tax supporting public safety services and facilities.

Garden Grove Police Chief Amir El-Farra said, "There is no community that supports their police department like the Garden Grove community. It makes coming to work even more special. We are grateful for that continued support and partnership. We are committed to their safety and providing excellent service as they go about their daily lives."

"I would like to commend Garden Grove for its innovative, progressive approach to this project," said Edgemoor Managing Director Brian Dugan. "The design process has been one of the most collaborative I have seen. The input we received from the police department and others in early design will help ensure the new public safety facility enables the police department to effectively protect and serve the Garden Grove community for decades to come."

A Garden Grove resident for over 20 years, Marc Kersey, Senior Vice President at Clark Construction said, "It's an honor for me to deliver this project in the city I call home. The Clark team is excited to work with the local subcontracting community to build this state-of-the-art public safety facility and new park that my family and I look forward to enjoying in the future."

Phase I of the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project is tentatively scheduled for completion in March 2026.

For more information about the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project, please visit www.ggcity.org/civic-center.

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Monday, May 13, 2024

MEDIA ALERT

**NEW PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY
BREAKS GROUND TUESDAY**

On Tuesday, May 14, 2024, the City of Garden Grove and developer Edgemoor Infrastructure & Real Estate will hold a groundbreaking for Phase I of the Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project, which includes a new Garden Grove Police Department public safety facility and parking structure.

The program includes presentations from Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones, Garden Grove Police Chief Amir El-Farra, and Managing Director Brian Dugan from Edgemoor Infrastructure & Real Estate.

WHAT: Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project Phase I: Public Safety Building and Parking Structure Groundbreaking

WHEN: Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Parking lot across from Garden Grove City Hall, located at 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840

BACKGROUND: In 2022, following the passage of Measure O in 2018 (1% local sales tax) supporting public safety services and facilities, and a 2020 study of the current police facilities, the City launched a community outreach campaign for improvements to the civic center that included a new public safety facility and redesigned Civic Center Park.

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NEW PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY BREAKS GROUND TUESDAY
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OPPORTUNITIES: Groundbreaking with Garden Grove City Council, other elected officials, developer, and architect.

FOR MORE

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Tuesday, May 14, 2024

HEAVY TRAFFIC AND ROAD CLOSURES MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Beginning Friday, May 24 through Monday, May 27, 2024, the 64th Annual Garden Grove Strawberry Festival will take place at Village Green Park, located at 12732 Main Street. During the 4-day event, heavy traffic is anticipated in the immediate area. Motorists are asked to plan accordingly to avoid delays.

Main Street, north of Acacia Parkway, will be closed from Thursday, May 23 through Tuesday, May 28, 2024.

On Saturday, May 25, 2024, from 5:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the following streets will be closed for the 2024 Strawberry Stomp 5K and the Strawberry Festival Parade:

- Acacia Parkway, from Grove Street to Civic Center Drive
- 9th Street, between Jerry Lane and Orangewood Avenue
- Chapman Avenue, between West Street and Nelson Street
- Euclid Street, between Orangewood Avenue and Garden Grove Boulevard

No vehicles will be allowed to drive or park on the closed streets until the 5K and parade have ended. Streets impacted by the road closures will be posted with 'NO PARKING' signs and residents will be notified in advance. Vehicles found on the street after 4:00 a.m., on Saturday, May 25, 2024, will be towed and impounded.

Orange County Transit Authority bus routes will be impacted by the closures.

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Heavy Traffic and Road Closures Memorial Day Weekend
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Stanford Avenue and residential streets near Lampson Avenue and Euclid Street will be open to residents only. Identification will be required for vehicles traveling on those streets during festival hours.

Residential parking by permit will be enforced on Pine Street and Walnut Street, south of Lampson Avenue, and College Avenue, between Euclid Street and Pine Street.

Garden Grove police officers will be onsite to provide directions for residents entering or leaving the area.

Suggested alternate routes during the 5K and parade hours are Katella Avenue or Garden Grove Boulevard for east and west traffic. For north and south traffic, alternate routes are Brookhurst Street or West Street.

On Saturday, May 25, 2024, at 8:00 a.m., Strawberry Stomp 5K participants will travel north on Euclid Street, heading east on Chapman Avenue to 9th Street, before looping back onto Euclid Street. The 5K will finish on Main Street by 10:00 a.m.

Following the 5K, at 10:00 a.m., the Strawberry Festival Parade will begin on Chapman Avenue, from 9th Street to Euclid Street, then continue south towards Village Green Park where it will conclude at Acacia Parkway.

For more information on street closures, call the Garden Grove Police Department at [\(714\) 741-5704](tel:7147415704).

The award-winning Garden Grove TV3 will cablecast and stream the Strawberry Festival Parade on Spectrum Cable Channel 3 for Garden Grove viewers and YouTube, at youtube.com/gardengrovetv3/live.

To view the Strawberry Festival's schedule of events, visit strawberryfestival.org.
For more information on the Strawberry Stomp 5K, visit strawberrystomp.org.

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Monday, May 13, 2024



37TH ANNUAL POLICE MEMORIAL TO HONOR FALLEN OFFICERS THURSDAY

The Garden Grove Police Department's 37th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial takes place on Thursday, May 16, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., in front of the Garden Grove Police Headquarters, located at 11301 Acacia Parkway. The annual service honors the six Garden Grove police officers who lost their lives in the line of duty: Sergeant Myron L. Trapp, Officer Andy Reese, Officer Donald F. Reed, Officer Michael Rainford, Master Officer Howard Dallies Jr., and Lieutenant John Reynolds.

The guest speaker is Justin Reed, son of the late Officer Donald F. Reed. The memorial also features a flag-folding ceremony, memorial bell ringing, helicopter fly-over, a 21-gun salute, and musical selections by the Bolsa Grande High School Choir.

East and west bound Acacia Parkway, from Garden Grove City Hall to 9th Street; and Civic Center Drive, from Garden Grove Boulevard to Acacia Parkway, will be closed on May 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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37TH ANNUAL POLICE MEMORIAL TO HONOR FALLEN OFFICERS THURSDAY
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Parking will be available at the following locations.

- Parking lot south of Garden Grove Masons Lodge No. 351,
11270 Acacia Parkway
- Parking lot west of Orange County Fire Authority Station #81,
11261 Acacia Parkway
- Parking lot east of the Garden Grove Main Library, 11200 Stanford Avenue

For more information, visit ggcity.org/police/memorial or visit the
[Garden Grove City Hall](#) and [Garden Grove Police Department](#) Facebook pages.

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Groundbreaking for police bldg.

MAY 15, 2024



IT'S ONLY SYMBOLIC but the City of Garden Grove has already set in motion plans to make real the "Civic Center Revitalization" project that will mean the construction of a new three-story police facility adjacent four-story parking structure and a new park. The police building will be located at the corner of Euclid Street and Acacia Parkway. Above, city council members got their hands dirty on Tuesday. They are (from left to right) Councilmember George Brietigam, Councilmember Joe DoVinh, Councilmember/Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Ngoc Tran, Mayor Steve Jones, Councilmember Kim Nguyen-Penalosa, Councilmember Stephanie Klopfenstein and Councilmember John O'Neill (Orange County Tribune photo).

Canine "school" gets council OK

May 15, 2024



NELLIE (left) and Heart make friends on the floor. They're emotional support dogs with the GGPD (Tribune photo).

A proposal to establish a regional canine training facility in a Garden Grove park is off and running – you might say off the leash – after it received approval of the city council on Tuesday night.

The council voted 7-0 in favor of a memorandum with the Garden Grove Unified School District for the use of land on the Warren Elementary School campus on Chapman Avenue (east of Harbor Boulevard), a part of which is used as Pioneer Park.

The GGUSD board approved the memorandum at its May 7 meeting. The agreement calls for the establishment of the facility to train both "apprehension" K-9s and "support" dogs to help people who are traumatized from accidents, violence and other mishaps.

Under the deal, the facility would be operated during a pilot period of 24 months, perhaps to be succeeded by a permanent replacement.

Such an operation could eventually serve not just Garden Grove, but any law enforcement facility in all of Orange County.

Also on Tuesday, the council heard a presentation on improvements to city facilities and parks, including expansions and upgrades at Woodbury and West Haven Parks.

Two city-owned swimming pools at park sites will undergo rehabilitation as well.

The next meeting of the Garden Grove City Council will be on Tuesday, May 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at 11331 Stanford Ave.

Justin Reed speaks at memorial

May 14, 2024



Justin Reed, son of one of the six Garden Grove police officers who lost their lives in the line of duty, will be the guest speaker at Thursday's 37th annual "Call to Duty" Memorial.

The event will be held from 5-6 p.m. in front of the GGPD headquarters, 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Reed's father – Donald – was fatally shot on June 7, 1980 when he and three other officers entered a bar to serve an arrest warrant.

The memorial will also feature a flag-folding ceremony, memorial bell ringing, a helicopter fly-over and musical selections by the Bolsa Grande High School choir.

Acacia Parkway will be closed in both directions from Euclid Street and 9th Street from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and also Civic Center from Garden Grove Boulevard to Acacia Parkway.

Garden Grove bắt đầu tái thiết khu hành chính trung tâm và xây sở cảnh sát mới

May 15, 2024

GARDEN GROVE, California (NV) – Thành phố Garden Grove vừa làm lễ động thổ vào lúc 5 giờ chiều Thứ Ba, 14 Tháng Năm, bắt đầu tái thiết khu vực hành chính trung tâm trước tòa thị chính mà theo đó sẽ xây một trụ sở mới cho cảnh sát, một bãi đậu xe, và một công viên.



Từ trái, Nghị Viên George Brietigam, Nghị Viên Joe Đỗ Vinh, Phó Thị Trưởng Cindy Ngọc Trần, Thị Trưởng Steve Jones, Nghị Viên Kim Bernice Nguyễn-Penalosa, Nghị Viên Stephanie Klopfenstein, và Nghị Viên John O’Neill tại lễ động thổ dự án “Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project.” (Hình: Đỗ Dzũng/Người Việt)

Công trình tái thiết này, tên là “Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project” (Dự Án Tái Thiết Trung Tâm Hành Chính), có hai giai đoạn.

Giai đoạn 1: Hoàn tất xây sở cảnh sát tại một nơi mới và bãi đậu xe.

Giai đoạn 2: Phá bỏ sở cảnh sát cũ và xây dựng một công viên mới, có tên Civic Center Park.

Phát biểu khai mạc lễ động thổ, bà Lisa Kim, tổng quản trị thành phố, nói: “Hôm nay, tôi rất vui mừng thấy dự án quan trọng này chính thức được bắt đầu tại thành phố chúng ta. Trong nhiều năm qua, chúng ta chứng kiến sự tái thiết và phát triển tại khu vực trung tâm hành chính, và ngày hôm nay đánh dấu sự tiếp tục này qua lễ động thổ, để tạo ra một kỷ nguyên hiện đại trong việc phục vụ cư dân.”

Sở cảnh sát mới sẽ cao ba tầng, rộng 103,000 sq ft, và có bãi đậu xe bốn tầng, bà Lisa Kim cho biết.

“Dự án này không những đáp ứng nhu cầu cần thiết của nhân viên công lực mà còn có mục đích nâng cao đời sống cư dân với nhiều không gian xanh hơn,” nữ tổng quản trị Garden Grove nói tiếp.



Bà Lisa Kim, tổng quản trị Garden Grove, phát biểu tại lễ động thổ. (Hình: Đỗ Dzũng/Người Việt)

Nhân dịp này, Thị Trưởng Steve Jones tuyên bố: “Ngày hôm nay đánh dấu một thành tựu đáng kể của Garden Grove, khi chúng ta làm lễ động thổ để xây dựng một cơ sở an ninh ngay trung tâm thành phố. Dự Án Tái Thiết Trung Tâm Hành Chánh này là rất cần thiết trong việc chỉnh trang khu vực trung tâm thành phố.”

“Cơ sở an toàn công cộng hiện đại này và nhà đậu xe sẽ cung cấp phương tiện cần thiết cho các cảnh sát viên để họ tiếp tục phục vụ và bảo vệ thành phố một cách hiệu quả,” vị thị trưởng nói tiếp. “Dự án này cũng phản ánh sự tăng trưởng và tiến bộ của cộng đồng chúng ta và sự cam kết của thành phố trong việc cung cấp thêm phương tiện và cơ hội cho cư dân và du khách khắp nơi.”

Có mặt tại lễ động thổ, Cảnh Sát Trưởng Amir El-Farra bày tỏ vui mừng vì dự án được bắt đầu tiến hành trong một thời gian ngắn.

Ông nói: “Tôi xin cảm ơn tất cả mọi người tham gia vào dự án này. Xin cảm ơn Hội Đồng Thành Phố ủng hộ chúng tôi. Không ngờ dự án được bắt đầu tiến hành nhanh chóng. Xin cảm ơn bà Lisa Kim, tổng quản trị thành phố.”



Thị Trưởng Steve Jones phát biểu tại lễ động thổ dự án "Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project," Giai Đoạn 1. (Hình: Đỗ Dzũng/Người Việt)

Ông Brian Dugan, giám đốc quản trị của Edgemoor, công ty phát triển dự án "Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project," nhân dịp này cũng cảm ơn Hội Đồng Thành Phố và các cơ quan ban ngành tiếp tay để tiến hành công việc.

"Cám ơn Garden Grove, bây giờ chúng ta là đối tác của nhau, qua dự án này, hai chúng ta là một. Tôi xin cảm ơn các vị dân cử và nhân viên đã cùng chúng tôi đạt được mọi chuyện và hôm nay chúng ta có thể bắt đầu Giai Đoạn 1 của dự án. Thông thường, kể từ khi được chuẩn thuận cho tới khi bắt đầu tiến hành dự án mất chừng một đến hai năm. Tuy nhiên, trong dự án này, quý vị và công ty chúng tôi chỉ mất sáu tháng để hoàn thành kế hoạch."

Các vị dân cử và cựu dân cử thành phố đều bày tỏ sự hài lòng với dự án "Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project."

Nghị Viên Joe Đỗ Vinh, đại diện Địa Hạt 4, nói: "Dự án này là tương lai của nhiều thế hệ sau này. Họ sẽ được hưởng công trình này do công sức của những người đi trước, đặc biệt là nhờ Measure O. Tôi rất vui khi thấy, qua dự án này, an ninh cộng đồng được bảo vệ, cộng đồng yên ổn, phát triển trong nhiều năm tới."

Phó Thị Trưởng Cindy Ngọc Trần, đại diện Địa Hạt 3, cũng vui khi tham dự lễ động thổ. Bà nói: "Thật tuyệt vời! Cuối cùng, dự án cũng bắt đầu và chúng ta sẽ có đủ chỗ cho cảnh sát làm việc."



Nhân viên thành phố và một số dân cư Garden Grove tại lễ động thổ. (Hình: Đỗ Dzũng/Người Việt)

Cựu Phó Thị Trưởng Diedre Thu Hà Nguyễn chia sẻ: “Tôi rất vui tham dự lễ động thổ hôm nay, vì đây là dự án tôi bỏ phiếu thuận trước khi rời Hội Đồng Thành Phố. Tòa nhà này rất cần thiết và sẽ có đủ chỗ cho 180 nhân viên công lực làm việc phục vụ cộng đồng.”

Nghị Viên Kim Bernice Nguyễn-Penaloza, đại diện Địa Hạt 6, nói: “Rất vui và rất mừng. Việc tái thiết này sẽ làm cho cộng đồng chúng ta an toàn hơn.”

Ngoài các dân cư thành phố, lễ động thổ còn có sự hiện diện của Luật Sư Nguyễn Quốc Lân, phó chủ tịch Học Khu Garden Grove, đại diện công ty phát triển dự án, và hàng trăm nhân viên thành phố.

Theo dự trù, tòa nhà sở cảnh sát và bãi đậu xe sẽ hoàn tất vào Tháng Ba, 2026, gọi là Giai Đoạn 1.

Trong Giai Đoạn 2, thành phố sẽ hoàn tất phá bỏ tòa nhà sở cảnh sát cũ vào Tháng Sáu, 2026. Trên phần đất này, công viên mới Civic Center Park sẽ ra đời và hoàn tất vào mùa Thu 2027.

Tổng chi phí của dự án này là \$152 triệu, xuất phát từ việc tăng 1% tiền thuế thương mại qua Measure O, do cử tri Garden Grove bỏ phiếu thông qua hồi năm 2018.

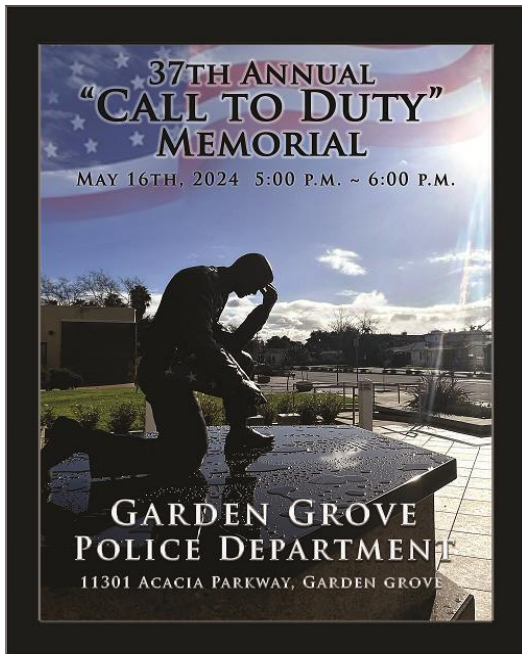


Mô hình dự án "Garden Grove Civic Center Revitalization Project." (Hình: Đỗ Dzũng/Người Việt)

Tòa nhà sở cảnh sát mới sẽ tọa lạc tại khu vực Đông Bắc của góc đường Acacia và đường Euclid.

Công viên Civic Center Park (trên nền nhà của sở cảnh sát cũ) rộng khoảng 2.8 mẫu có đường đi bộ, cỏ xanh, dụng cụ tập thể dục ngoài trời, và nhiều phương tiện khác nữa.

TP Garden Grove tổ chức lễ tưởng niệm vinh danh những cảnh sát đã hy sinh vì công vụ



Sở cảnh sát Garden Grove sẽ tổ chức buổi lễ tưởng niệm thường niên lần thứ 37 diễn ra vào Thứ Năm, ngày 16 tháng Năm, lúc 5:00 giờ chiều, trước Sở cảnh sát Garden Grove, tọa lạc tại 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Sáu cảnh viên được vinh danh gồm có: Trung sĩ Myron L. Trapp, Sĩ quan Andy Reese, Sĩ quan Donald F. Reed, Sĩ quan Michael Rainford, Sĩ quan Howard Dallies Jr., và Trung úy John Reynolds. Buổi lễ vinh danh sẽ có gia đình, thân nhân, bạn bè, cũng như nhân viên trong ngành luật pháp tại quận Cam đến tham dự.

Đại tá sở cảnh sát Luis Payan sẽ chủ trì buổi lễ, và năm nay cũng sẽ có một người khách mời đặc biệt phát biểu trong chương trình là ông Justin Reed, con của cảnh viên đã hy sinh Donald F. Reed. Năm nay, nhóm ca đoàn của trường trung học Bolsa Grande High School sẽ phụ trách phần văn nghệ. Vào lúc 10:00 giờ sáng đến 8:00 giờ tối, phía hướng Đông và Tây của đường Acacia, từ hướng City Hall đến đường 9th Street, và Civic Center, từ đường Garden Grove đến Acacia Parkway sẽ đóng lại.

Xin mời cộng đồng đến tham dự và ủng hộ chương trình này, cũng như ủng hộ cảnh sát Garden Grove và những cảnh viên đã hy sinh vì công vụ.

Để biết thêm chi tiết, theo dõi thông tin trên mạng xã hội tại Garden Grove City Hall hoặc Garden Grove Police Department, hoặc tại ggcity.org/police/memorial.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

May 16, 2024

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation of the May 23, 2024 Garden Grove Zoning Administrator Meeting.
3. League of California Cities articles from May 10, 2024 to May 16, 2024.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 16, 2024 – June 14, 2024

Thursday	May 16	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC \$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day
		5:00 p.m.	37th Annual "Call to Duty" Memorial, Garden Grove PD, 11301 Acacia Parkway
Friday	May 17		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	May 23	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC CANCELLED
		4:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.	47 th Annual H. Louis Lake Senior Center Strawberry Ball, CMC – AB Room
Friday	May 24-27		64 th Annual Garden Grove Strawberry Festival, Village Green Park
Saturday	May 25	8:00 a.m.	Sister City Strawberry Stomp 5K, Historic Main Street
Monday	May 27		City Hall Closed – Memorial Day
Tuesday	May 28	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	May 30	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Recreation and Arts Commission Special Meeting, CMC
Friday	May 31		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	June 6	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	June 11	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	June 13		\$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day
Friday	June 14		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure



GARDEN GROVE

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 23, 2024**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: May 16, 2024

DAVID DENT
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



Cal Cities urges CalRecycle to specify local cost recovery in draft plastics and packaging regulations

May 15, 2024

By Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative affairs lobbyist (environmental quality), and Zack Cefalu, legislative affairs and policy analyst

Last week, Cal Cities submitted [public comments](#) seeking clarity on how the state will hold producers accountable when reimbursing cities under California's single-use plastic and packaging material recycling law, as promised by [SB 54 \(Allen, 2022\)](#). The historic law requires producers to manage and fund the [full lifecycle](#) of single-use plastic and packaging materials. The producer responsibility organization (PRO), made up of plastic and packaging manufacturers, must establish a plan to ensure manufacturers fund the full costs incurred by cities and waste haulers for recycling and composting the materials.

The California Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery (CalRecycle) released the first [draft regulations](#) earlier this year, with a public comment period open until May 8. In its submission, Cal Cities urged CalRecycle to clarify the law's intent for full local cost recovery in the draft regulations.

The PRO must also create and finance a \$5 billion plastic pollution mitigation fund, implemented over ten years.

What did Cal Cities advocate for in the draft regulations?

Cal Cities called for greater specificity on how the PRO will reimburse local governments — including identifying a process to reach full reimbursement. The draft regulations did not identify any eligible reimbursement costs or how the PRO will engage cities when developing its plan and budget over the next several years. Cal Cities made it clear that coordination between the PRO and local stakeholders is critical to successfully implementing the law. This work will inform how cities receive full reimbursement, the funding mechanism for disbursement, and how to settle implementation disputes between cities and the PRO. Absent these protections, implementation of the new law could be extremely challenging and riddled with litigation. SB 54 requires CalRecycle to establish and distribute the list of reimbursable materials by July 1. Cal Cities recommended that CalRecycle specify the date by which cities must collect materials for recycling or composting and recommended that the date be one month after CalRecycle approves the PRO's plan. This would give local jurisdictions time to create or change recycling programs after the list of materials is approved. It would also allow reimbursement to occur immediately following the approval of the PRO plan and budget.

CalRecycle anticipates approving the PRO plan and budget in 2026.

Looking forward

Cal Cities is actively engaged in the SB 54 rulemaking process and with the PRO to ensure that local jurisdictions are protected and fully funded throughout implementation. The rulemaking will continue through the end of this year. CalRecycle expects final regulations to be effective by Jan. 1, 2025.

For questions or more information about Cal Cities' ongoing work on SB 54, please contact [Environmental Quality Lobbyist Melissa Sparks-Kranz](#).



State Bills in Brief: May 15-23

May 15, 2024

A weekly primer on the bills and committee hearings that have a direct impact on cities

By Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor. Additional contributions by the Cal Cities Advocacy Team

The Legislature's twice-annual culling of bills is set for Thursday. Each year, committees place hundreds of bills with major financial impacts on the suspense file. Some make it out and live to fight another day. The rest die a quiet, albeit sometimes temporary, death.

Cal Cities is tracking over 300 of the [nearly 800 bills](#) that lawmakers need to get past the powerful appropriations committees. The appropriations chairpersons told [CalMatters](#) they expect to approve fewer bills this year due to the state's [massive budget shortfall](#). Lawmakers will repeat the process later this year when bills switch houses.

That's a lot of bills. So for this week's State Bills in Brief, we're focusing on the ones with the biggest possible impacts to cities — including local government revenues, public safety, and housing plans. Some of them are the subject of recent [action alerts](#). A more detailed report will be available next week.

For information about bills scheduled for a committee hearing through May 23, keep reading. To learn what each section means — or to access a previous State Bills in Brief — visit the [archive page](#).

Hot bills

Cal Cities is tracking over 300 bills referred to the suspense file. These are the most important ones.

Expanded unemployment benefits for striking workers

- **Unemployment benefits for 26 weeks.** [SB 1116 \(Portantino\)](#) would allow striking workers to draw unemployment benefits after two weeks. Cal Cities opposes the measure due to the severe, downward pressure it would apply to city budgets.
- **Didn't this already fail?** When the Governor vetoed a similar measure [last year](#), he said, "Now is not the time to increase costs or incur this sizable debt." This should hold true this year, as the state is grappling with a multibillion-dollar budget shortfall.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, Senate Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Strike bill jeopardizes city services

- **Undermining MOUs and services.** [AB 2404 \(Lee\)](#) would make sympathy striking and honoring the picket line a human right. It would also allow nearly any employee to strike regardless of their job duties and employer agreements. Cal Cities opposes the measure.
- **This sounds familiar.** As it should. Gov. Gavin Newsom rejected a [similar measure](#) last year, citing its potential to seriously disrupt or even halt the delivery of critical public services, particularly in places where public services are co-located.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Constricting government contracts

- **A prohibition in all but name.** [AB 2489 \(Ward\)](#) would sharply curb cities' ability to hire government contractors with unnecessary and inflexible requirements. This comes as the state asks local agencies to do less with more. Cal Cities opposes the measure.
- **But why?** This bill proposes sweeping changes to the basic, administrative functions of local government.
- **When was the hearing?** May 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Well-intended 'granny flat' bill leaves cities holding the bag

- **Robbing Peter to pay Paul.** [SB 1164 \(Newman\)](#) would exempt new accessory dwelling units (ADU) from property tax assessment for 15 years if the owner makes a "good faith effort" to ensure the unit will be used as residential housing. Cal Cities opposes the measure.
- **Unfounded claim.** The author argues that an increase in property tax is a "substantial disincentive" to the construction of new ADUs. The numbers do not back this claim.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, Senate Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Development fee restrictions would restrict critical services

- **What would the bill do?** [AB 1820 \(Schiavo\)](#) would require cities to provide an itemized list during the preliminary application process within 20 days of a developer's request. Cal Cities will oppose the measure unless the author provides a longer timeline, clarifies which fees it affects, and states that such estimations are nonbinding.
- **Why it matters.** Local governments cannot raise property taxes. With very few ways to fund services, they must rely on impact fees to build new roads, sewer lines, fire stations, and even affordable housing.
- **When was the hearing?** May 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Inflexible contract requirements

- **A de facto prohibition.** [AB 2557 \(Ortega\)](#) would dramatically curb local agency service contracts due to its onerous obligations and costs. Cal Cities opposes the measure.
- **Nearly 5,000 impacted agencies.** AB 2557 would require cities and contractors to adopt sweeping new notification, reporting, and auditing measures. If passed, it would directly undercut statewide policy goals and partnerships, including the Homeless Housing and Prevention program.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Builder's remedy safeguards come with a price

- **The good.** [AB 1893 \(Wicks\)](#) would place some guardrails on builder's remedy projects by restricting their location and density. Cities could also use objective development standards in some circumstances.
- **The bad.** Cities could no longer reject certain housing developments if they have met or exceeded their state housing goals. Cal Cities has taken an oppose unless amended position on AB 1893. The state should specify how cities can get a compliant housing element to avoid things like the builder's remedy before further restricting local control.
- **When was the hearing?** May 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Major retail theft bill heads to suspense

- **What would it do?** [AB 2943 \(Rivas and Zbur\)](#) would create a new crime of "serial retail theft," allow police to arrest shoplifters without witnessing the crime, and allow prosecutors to aggregate certain offenses, increase probation terms, and extend the Organized Retail Theft Statute. Cal Cities supports the measure if it is amended.
- **Possible changes.** Cal Cities is seeking changes that bring the bill in line with case law (*People v. Bailey*), allow police to use unsworn statements if they demonstrate probable cause, and clarify what successful probation looks like.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Retail theft aggregation

- **Grand theft larceny.** [AB 1794 \(McCarty\)](#) would clarify that prosecutors can aggregate the value of items stolen in multiple thefts into a single felony charge. Cal Cities supports the measure.
- **Now you see me, now you don't.** Thieves often steal small amounts of items under \$950 across multiple businesses to avoid penalties.

- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Retail theft damages

- **Enhanced sentencing.** [AB 1960 \(Soria\)](#) would impose stiffer penalties for property loss or damage that occurred during a felony. Cal Cities supports the measure.
- **Why it matters.** Some shoplifters are destroying property to [cause a distraction](#) or gain [easier access](#) to high-value goods.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Stronger penalties for fentanyl traffickers

- **Stiffer penalties.** [AB 3171 \(Soria\)](#) would increase the penalties for holding smaller quantities of fentanyl — specifically for those with the intent to sell. Cal Cities supports the measure.
- **A continued crisis.** A study by the Centers for Disease Control and Protection named fentanyl the deadliest drug in the U.S. Many people are unaware that they are even taking fentanyl, making them more susceptible to overdose or even death.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Controlled substance list update

- **Proactive measure.** [SB 1502 \(Ashby\)](#) would create penalties for the illicit position, use, sale, and trafficking of xylazine — also known as “tranq.” Cal Cities supports the measure.
- **A dangerous combination.** A non-opiate sedative and muscle relaxant, xylazine can be deadly when combined with opioids. Officials have [linked the drug](#) to a growing number of overdose deaths in California.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, Senate Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Better recovery housing oversight

- **A Cal Cities-sponsored measure.** [SB 913 \(Umberg\)](#) would allow cities to collaborate with the state to investigate and enforce existing recovery home licensing laws.
- **Why it matters.** Residential recovery housing provides a range of benefits to some of California’s most vulnerable residents. Their needs must be prioritized [over profits](#).
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, Senate Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Improper recovery home reporting

- **Improved reporting.** [AB 2574 \(Valencia\)](#) would expand reporting requirements for licensed treatment facility operators operating as an integral part of a licensed treatment facility located elsewhere in the community. Cal Cities is sponsoring the measure.
- **What’s good for the goose.** Some licensed facilities provide services to the residents of a sober living home but do not include the sober living home in the facility’s licensure, causing regulators to treat them like businesses.
- **When was the hearing?** May 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Cal Cities-sponsored measure would help reduce methane emissions

- **No wasted efforts.** [SB 972 \(Min\)](#) would require CalRecycle to strengthen its assistance efforts to help cities actively working to reduce organic waste in landfills and methane emissions. The agency would also need to report back to the Legislature on the organic waste diversion progress and how to better align the law with the state’s other climate goals.
- **Room for improvement.** A [2023 report](#) found that the amount of organic waste in landfills increased by a million tons between 2014 and 2020. If the state wants to reverse this trend, it needs to provide greater local assistance and accountability.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, Senate Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

A voluntary, streamlined path for wildfire preparedness

- **A Cal Cities-sponsored measure.** [AB 2330 \(Holden\)](#) would streamline the process for environmental permitting of fuel management in Fire Hazard Severity Zones near urban communities while upholding environmental laws and permitting authorities.
- **Catastrophic wildfires.** The size and severity of wildfires in California have increased, with seven of the 20 largest wildfires and the top two most destructive wildfires occurring

over the past seven years. However, long timelines are delaying local efforts in areas most at risk of catastrophic wildfires.

- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Local agency ethics training

- **Every two years.** [AB 2631 \(Fong\)](#) would ensure that an ethics training course remains free online indefinitely. Cal Cities is co-sponsoring the measure with the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC).
- **Why now?** The FPPC may no longer be able to provide the program due to budget restraints. Additionally, about 2,000 new agencies and several thousand agency officials will become subject to these training requirements starting in 2025.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Retention bill ignores external factors

- **An unfunded mandate.** [AB 2561 \(McKinnor\)](#) would require local agencies to produce, implement, and publish plans to reduce union vacancy rates that exceed 10% for over six months. Cal Cities opposes the measure.
- **Right problem. Flawed approach.** Many cities are actively taking steps to reduce vacancy rates and address retention challenges. Cities are committed to working collaboratively on the issue, but diverting staff away from core service delivery to produce reports on vacancy rates will not fill key city positions.
- **When is the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

Another familiar labor bill

- **What would the bill do?** [AB 2421's \(Low\)](#) would restrict internal investigations to the detriment of employees and the public. It could limit investigations into workplace harassment, misconduct, and safety as well as silence witnesses. Cal Cities opposes the measure.
- **What the last Governor said.** When Gov. Jerry Brown vetoed a similar measure in 2013, he noted it would put a union agent on equal footing with one's spouse, priest, doctor, or lawyer.
- **When was the hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee (suspense file).

[Other bills to watch](#)

Lawmakers also plan to adopt amendments to a self-driving car oversight bill.

Autonomous vehicle oversight

- **What would the bill do?** [SB 915 \(Cortese\)](#) would allow some cities to regulate autonomous vehicle services. It would also allow local law enforcement and first responders to intervene when a driverless vehicle interrupts an emergency response.
- **What is Cal Cities' position?** Cal Cities supports the measure.
- **When is the next hearing?** May 16, upon adjournment of session, Senate Appropriations Committee (Suspense File).

[View all tracked bill hearings.](#)



Did state subventions cause your city to exceed its local Gann limit?

May 15, 2024

Cities that exceed their appropriation limit for fiscal year 2024-25 must report so by Nov. 1

By Ben Triffo, legislative affairs lobbyist

Due to changes in the 2023-24 State Budget, Cal Cities must provide a list of state subventions for cities each year to include in their local appropriations limits. This is a relatively new process, but identifying your state subventions should be a familiar exercise. Here's what you need to know about this new rule for fiscal year 2024-25.

What is the Gann Limit?

The Gann Limit is a result of Proposition 13 (1978) and Proposition 4 (1979), which limit the growth of government spending. As a result, there is a cap on local government revenue that city officials can appropriate in any given fiscal year.

There is also an appropriation limit for state expenditures. The state must spend any revenue that exceeds a certain limit — adjusted for inflation and population — on K-12 education and colleges or rebates back to taxpayers.

What is the current requirement?

Starting with the 2021-22 fiscal year, local agencies must identify and report any new state subventions — unrestricted money received by a local agency from the state — that would cause them to exceed local appropriations limits. The Department of Finance will count those excess amounts at the state level. City officials must count state subventions within their local appropriations limit if they do not cause the city to go over its local limit.

What is the new guidance?

The Department of Finance now calculates the individual subvention amounts for each state subvention for each city. The subvention information identifies the total dollar value of all subventions that should be included within a city's appropriations limit for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

If any portion of those values causes a city to exceed its appropriations limit, it must identify the specific, excess amount attributable to these subventions and report that information to the Department of Finance. The state will instead include these excess amounts in its appropriations limit.

The deadline to report this information is Nov. 1, 2025. The Department of Finance will send updated subvention information for future fiscal years to Cal Cities no later than Feb. 1 of each year.

[Where to find out information specific to your city](#)

Cal Cities has created a [resource page](#) to house the spreadsheet provided by the Department of Finance. More details about the dollar value attributable to each subvention are in the “City Programs” tab of the spreadsheet.

Cities that will not exceed their appropriation limit for fiscal year 2024-25 do not need to report to the Department of Finance. No action is required if your city is not identified in the spreadsheet.

Cities may submit their information via email to [Susan Wekanda](#) and [Matt Westbrook](#) at the Department of Finance.



Lawmakers greenlight housing element audit

May 15, 2024

By Jason Rhine, *director of legislative affairs*

The Joint Legislative Audit Committee on Tuesday unanimously approved Sen. Steve Glazer’s request to audit the state’s housing element review process. The move — strongly supported by Cal Cities — comes as more cities raise concerns about the timeliness, consistency, and fairness of the process.

“If we are going to require cities to uphold many state standards in their housing plans, the state must provide clear and consistent guidance to cities,” Sen. Glazer said yesterday in a [press release](#). “This audit will help provide legislative insight and scrutiny of the work of this important housing department.”

Cities have been working diligently to update their housing plans to account for much larger housing goals, as well as new programs and strategies mandated by new laws — often to [great success](#). However, many cities have also faced significant challenges when submitting their housing plans to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

According to Sen. Glazer, the audit will include:

- A determination of how clear HCD’s standards and regulations are for housing elements.
- An assessment of how responsive HCD has been to local governments.
- A measure of how many different reviewers evaluate a jurisdiction’s housing element.
- A determination of the consistency of HCD’s comments and reviews.
- An evaluation of the clarity of HCD’s feedback.
- An assessment of how HCD communicates housing element submission deadlines to local governments.

Cal Cities will continue to work with Sen. Glazer to identify shortcomings with the housing element process and much-needed reforms. The State Auditor’s Office will start the audit this fall. More information about the audit process, including estimated timelines, is [available online](#).



Cities can take advantage of new federal EV tax credits. Here's how

May 14, 2024

Guest article by Emily Pape, senior associate for the Electrification Coalition. She can be reached at epape@electrificationcoalition.org.

Many cities are eager to electrify their fleets but are struggling to do so because of the costs. While private fleets have long enjoyed federal tax credits for electrification, cities have not — until recently.

The Inflation Reduction Act's elective pay provision allows public and nonprofit entities to receive certain tax credits as a direct payment. Cities can access these credits for electric vehicles (EVs) and charging stations despite being tax-exempt entities.

This year's [filing deadline](#) is May 15, 2024. However, extensions are available. Cities that have never filled out a tax form receive an automatic, paperless deadline extension until Nov. 15, 2024. Cities that have filed a tax form must electronically submit [Form 8868](#) before May 15, 2024, to receive an extension. If you miss the deadline, don't worry — you will still be able to claim the tax credits for qualified projects put into service in future years.

How much can my city qualify for?

City fleet electrification is an underacknowledged and underutilized stepping stone to zero emissions. Among the incentives cities can now access are the 45W and 30C electric vehicle and infrastructure tax credits. Starting with the 2023 tax year, these tax credits reimburse eligible applicants for up to \$7,500 for light-duty vehicles, \$40,000 for all other vehicles, and \$100,000 for charging stations.

Cities can receive these tax credits for any eligible vehicles and charging infrastructure purchased and put into service after Dec. 31, 2022. Armed with this knowledge, cities can plan for future vehicle and infrastructure investments, with the added benefits of increasing charging access across their communities while improving local air quality.

How it works

To claim these tax credits, cities must complete a pre-file registration with the IRS and then submit a tax return. Cities can adopt a tax year based on the calendar or fiscal year.

To claim tax credits on a tax return, the project must have been put into service during that year. Once the project is complete and the city has identified the appropriate tax credit for the project, the city should then determine a tax year.

Before filing for any tax credits, cities must first complete pre-filing registration with the IRS. This requires information like the city's mailing address and banking information, the credits the city plans to claim, and specific information about each credit and project. This process begins by [creating a Clean Energy Business Account](#). The city will need a separate pre-filing registration number for each facility or property, including supporting documentation.

You can save an application as a work in progress. However, you cannot change the submitted registration form until the IRS returns it.

After pre-filing registration is complete and the IRS has returned registration numbers for each project, the city should file a tax return by the [due date](#). This is usually the 15th day of the fifth month following the end of its tax year. Cities should provide the registration numbers for each project they would like to claim a credit for and make a valid direct pay election using Form 990-T. This will allow the city to receive payment as a refund for the credit amount.

The city will receive payment after the IRS processes the return, which can happen in as little as 45 days. Both [the Electrification Coalition](#) and [the IRS](#) have more information about the elective pay process on their websites.

Big picture

California has some of the worst air quality in the nation, alongside increasingly powerful wildfires and floods. Electrification can help by reducing the effects of climate change and air pollution. Electrification is also key to ending dependence on oil, with benefits stretching from national security to economic growth.

Many California cities have already begun to electrify their fleets. Rancho Cucamonga recently [introduced an electric firetruck](#), joining Los Angeles as the first cities in the country to make the switch. LA also has plans to [electrify its entire 10,000-plus vehicle fleet](#) by 2035 and debuted several electric street sweepers last year. Santa Rosa has [four electric buses](#) in its 29-bus transit fleet, with funding for 17 more. And Chino has specifically [cited improving air quality](#) as a motivation for electrifying its city fleet, highlighting the benefits that electrification can have on its entire community. Californians have made significant progress toward transportation electrification. Last year, a quarter of all passenger vehicles sold in the state [were electric or otherwise zero-emission](#), up from 12.4% in 2021. While this rate of adoption is impressive, there is still a long way to go if the state is to meet its 2045 carbon neutrality goal. Cities are key to meeting that goal, as are federal opportunities like the elective pay provision.